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Public Scoping Meetings Scheduled for Franks Tract Project

Sacramento – The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the federal Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) announce four public scoping meetings for the Franks Tract Project. The purpose of the Franks Tract Project is to help improve the health of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The October meetings are part of the Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) process.

Meetings will be held:

- **Sacramento** – Monday, October 6, 10 a.m. to Noon, Federal Building Cafeteria Conference Rooms C-1001 and C-1002, 2800 Cottage Way
- **Rio Vista** – Tuesday, October 7, 6 to 8:30 p.m., Memorial Building, 610 St. Francis Way
- **Antioch** – Wednesday, October 8, 6 to 8:30 p.m., Contra Costa Library, 510 W. 18th Street
- **Stockton** – Thursday, October 9, 6 to 8:30 p.m., Stockton Civic Auditorium, North Hall, 525 North Center Street

More information about these meetings or the Franks Tract Project is available on Reclamation's Web site (<http://www.usbr.gov/mp>) and DWR's Web site (<http://baydeltaoffice.water.ca.gov/ndelta/frankstract>).

Written scoping comments on the project and EIS/EIR are due by Friday, November 21, 2008, to Ms. Sharon McHale, Reclamation Franks Tract Project Manager (916-978-5086, smchale@mp.usbr.gov) or to Mr. Ajay Goyal, DWR Franks Tract Project Manager (916-651-9823, agoyal@water.ca.gov).

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